

REMARKS

Claims 2-20 were presented for examination and were pending in this application. In an Office Action dated May 12, 2005, claims 2-20 were rejected. Applicants add claim 21 and cancel claims 13-20.

Applicants have amended claim 2 to address the objections raised by the Examiner. The Examiner interpreted claim 2 in its unamended state as requiring FIFO processing. Claim 2 has been amended to more clearly define the invention. (As an aside, applicants note that the term FIFO does not appear in Jamtgaard.)

The Examiner rejected claims 2-20 under § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,430,624 to Jamtgaard.

Independent claim 2 as amended recites a method including receiving first data that is part of a web page, the first data having a first display format. The received first data is changed to a second display format capable of being displayed by the browsing program and sent for display. In addition, claim 2 recites after sending the changed data, receiving second data, where the first data and the second data are both part of the web page. (emphasis added). Thus, the first data and the second data are both part of the web page but the first data is converted to a displayable format and sent before the second data is received.

In contrast, Jamtgaard discloses a system for reformatting a single web page into "cards." In the example discussed therein, a card is created that contains three "panes." (column 16, lines 37-49). This card is the size of a display window on the device and, once complete, is passed to the device for display. Jamtgaard makes it clear that, for a web page, the method first builds a complete relational tree structure for the page. See for example, Figs.14-18. In order to build a tree for the whole page, the whole page must first be received.

FIG. 13 of Jamtgaard is a flowchart illustrating a method 200 for recursing through the tree in order to generate customized panes and cards that may be displayed on an information appliance or wireless device 15 in accordance with the invention. (col. 15, lines 48-50).

The examples shown in Figs. 14-18 show examples in which entire web pages are parsed and then cards are made for them. This clearly means that Jamtgaard does not disclose or suggest a method and apparatus in which first data of a web page is changed from a first format to a second format and sent before second data from the same web page is received.

The examiner points to two places in Jamtgaard that uses the term “on the fly.”

The two sections quoted are:

Compatible languages, such as Extensible Markup Language (XML), a software language designed especially for Web documents, have become much more mature and permit re-formatting of HTML or XML web pages on-the-fly to formats that individual devices can utilize. (col. 2, lines 12-17).

In particular, the system receives incoming content on-the-fly from an Internet content provider thereby allowing for dynamic information generation. (col. 4, lines 21-32). Applicants note that the term is not explained in either section of Jamtgaard.

Neither of these passages suggests applicants’ claimed invention. At best, they suggest that the tree for each web page is built “on the fly” as the web page is received, but they do not disclose or suggest the limitations of claims 2 and 21 and their dependent claims.

Jamtgaard completely fails to disclose or suggest at least this limitation of claims 2 and 21 and those claims are allowable for at least this reason. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 2-12 and 21, as presented herein, are patentably distinguishable over the cited references (including references cited, but not applied). Therefore, Applicants request reconsideration and allowance of these claims.

In addition, Applicants respectfully invite the Examiner to contact Applicants' representative at the number provided below if Examiner believes it will help expedite furtherance of this application.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
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